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REMARKS

In a February 17, 2010 final office action, Examiner rejected Claims 1-12 (with claims 1 and 2 being independent claims) under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Crinion et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,181,699 ("Crinion") in view of Hussain et al., U.S. Patent No. 7,161,904 ("Hussain").

Independent claims 1 and 2 have been amended to include additional limitations not present in the cited prior art. Dependent claims 4-6 and 8 have also been amended to explicitly include limitations related to the traffic policer of the present invention. In addition, claims 3, 7 and 11 have been canceled.


Regarding the rejections of claims 4-6, 8-10 and 12, as these claims depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 2, and therefore incorporate all of the limitations therein, for the reasons set forth above with respect to independent claim 2, Applicants respectfully assert that these claims are also patentable over the cited references.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for reasons clearly apparent, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims. If there are any matters that can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of this Application, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at 512-306-8533 at the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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